



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2019-0419

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ken Elwert, Parks and Natural Resources Director
Matt Einheuser, Natural Resources Manager
DATE: October 7, 2019
SUBJECT: Acceptance of Second Reading and Adoption
Chapter 126, Article III, Tree Conservation Ordinance

REQUEST:

Accept and adopt the second reading of the Tree Conservation Ordinance; *Chapter 126; Article III.*

BACKGROUND:

Parks and Natural Resource Department, in cooperation with the Planning and Economic Development Department, has reviewed the tree conservation ordinance for the purpose of making it more consistent and updating the balance between development and community tree preservation. The Ordinance was originally written in 1988.

The goal of these changes are 1) Increase the percentage of preserved trees within the community; 2) Incentivize preservation of larger trees during development; 3) Provide consistent ordinance coverage across the entire city, all development classes (Commercial, Industrial, and Residential).

The proposed changes were presented at the joint City Council/Planning Commission meeting on January 29, 2019 as well as Planning Commission meetings on June 5, 2019 and August 20, 2019. The first reading was reviewed and accepted by City Council on September 23, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

We are recommending that City Council accept for second reading and adopt the Tree Conservation Ordinance; *Chapter 126; Article III.*

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney

Yes

N/A